

REMARKS

Entry of this Amendment and reconsideration and allowance of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated October 6, 2005. Appreciation is expressed to the Examiner for the allowance of claims 2, 3, 5, 9 and 16-25. By the present amendment, claim 4, which is the only claim rejected in the application, has been canceled, without prejudice. Therefore, the only remaining pending claims in this application are claims 2, 3, 5, 9 and 16-25, all of which have been allowed. Therefore, allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

Incidentally, it is noted that the attorney docket number listed on the cover sheet PTO-90C for both the present Office Action and the last Office Action (dated March 24, 2005) is incorrect. Specifically, the attorney docket number should be 500.40562X00, rather than 500.45062X00 as listed in the Office Action. Therefore, correction of the attorney docket number to 500.40562X00 is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes that there are any other points which may be clarified or otherwise disposed of either by telephone discussion or by personal interview, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus,

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LLP Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Docket No. 500.40562X00), and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,
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